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SUBJECT: MEMBERS OF THE ANGOLAN TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT

1. THERE FOLLOWS THE NAMES AND BRIEF BIO DATA ON THE THREE MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL, AND TWELVE MINISTERS AND KEY SECRETARIES OF THE NEW TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA.

2. PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL:

A) JOHNNY EDUARDO (FULL NAME IS JOHNNY EDUARDO PINNOCK), FNLA FOREIGN MINISTER SINCE 1964. BORN IN ANGOLA AND ATTENDED SCHOOL IN MATADI, BELGIAN CONGO. JOINED THE FNLA (UPA) IN 1960 AND BECAME HEAD OF THE YOUTH WING. WENT ON TO REPRESENT THE FNLA IN NORTHERN AFRICA AND LIVED IN ALGIERS. STUDIED LAW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PARIS.

B) LOPO DE NASCIMENTO. (MPLA) APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION AND PROPAGANDA IN 1974 AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER WAS NAMED HEAD OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU. BORN IN LUANDA JULY 10, 1940. IMPRISONED BY THE SECRET POLICE IN 1959, RELEASED AND REARRESTED IN 1963
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FOR ACTIVITIES ON BEHALF OF THE MPLA. HE WAS RELEASED AGAIN IN

1968 AND SUBSEQUENTLY HEADED THE BREWERY WORKERS UNION IN ANGOLA WHILE WORKING UNDERGROUND FOR THE MPLA.

C) DR JOSE N'DELE. (UNITA) BORN IN CABINDA IN 1940. STUDIED AT SEMINARIES IN LUANDA AND CABINDA. FLED CABINDA IN 1961 AND JOINED FNLA IN KINSHASA. IN 1962 HE WAS SENT TO SWITZERLAND, WHERE HE STUDIED ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SCIENCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF FRIBOURG. JOINED UNITA IN 1966 AND LATER BECAME GENERAL TREASURER. TRAVELLED EXTENSIVELY THROUGH EUROPE AND AFRICA PERFORMING INFORMATION AND LIAISON ACTIVITIES.

3. MINISTRY OF INFORMATION:

A) MINISTER OF INFORMATION: (MPLA) MANUEL RUI MONTEIRO. BORN IN HUAMBO, ANGOLA IN 1941. LAW DEGREE FROM COIMBRA UNIVERSITY. POET AND WRITER. LECTURED AT COIMBRA 1969-1970. WORKED AS A LABOR LAWYER IN PORTUGAL.

B) SECRETARY OF INFORMATION (FNLA) HENDRIK VAAL NETO. BORN IN CUANZA SUL, ANGOLA IN 1944. LUANDA BUREAU CHIEF OF FNLA SINCE OCTOBER, 1974. FNLA MINISTER OF INFORMATION WITH TEN YEARS EXPERIENCE. VAAL NETO HAS TAKEN AN ACTIVE INTEREST IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE OFFICIAL RADIO STATION.

C) SECRETARY OF INFORMATION (UNITA). DR ALMERINDO JAKA JAMBA. BORN IN BELA VISTA, ANGOLA IN 1949. GRADUATE OF THE CLASSICAL UNIVERSITY OF LISBON. TAUGHT IN PORTUGAL. FLED TO SWITZERLAND IN 1972 WHERE HE JOINED UNITA. RETURNED TO ANGOLA IN MID 1974 TO HEAD UNITA MOXICO DISTRICT OFFICE.

4. MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR:

A) MINISTER (FNLA) NOGLA KABANGU. BORN IN 1943. STUDIED ELECTRONICS IN YUGOSLAVIA. OCCUPIED POSTS IN THE FNLA ARMY, CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND POLITICAL BUREAU.

B) SECRETARY (MPLA) DR HENRIQUE SANTOS, BORN IN PORTO AMBOIM, ANGOLA IN 1940. UNIVERSITY STUDIES IN PORTUGAL AND WEST GERMANY. RECEIVED MILITARY TRAINING IN ALGERIA AND LATER STUDIED IN CUBA. FOUGHT IN EASTERN ANGOLA IN 1970-1973.

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C) SECRETARY FOR UNITA HAS NOT YET BEEN NAMED.

4. MINISTRY OF LABOR:

A) MINISTER (UNITA): ENGINEER ANTONIO DEMBO, BORN IN HUNGO, ANGOLA IN 1944. STUDIED AT A MISSION SCHOOL AND JOINED FNLA (UPA) IN 1961 AS A GUERRILLA. LATER STUDIED IN ALGERIA, THE TUNISIAN

MILITARY ACADEMY AND, IN 1970, FRANCE. JOINED UNITA IN 1971 AND HE HEADED ITS CARMONA OFFICE SINCE DECEMBER, 1974.

B) SECRETARY (MPLA): CONRELIO CALEY. BORN IN HUAMBO, ANGOLA, DECEMBER 8, 1949. STUDIED IN PORTUGAL AND RETURNED TO ANGOLA AFTER THE APRIL 25 COUP.

C) SECRETARY (FNLA) MIGUEL JOAO BATISTA NGUVULO, BORN DECEMBER 30, 1945 IN SA DE BANDEIRA. THEOLOGICAL STUDIES. STUDIED ABROAD. BECAME SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ANGOLAN LABOR CENTRAL IN 1972. HEADED THE FNLA OFFICE IN LUBANGO LATE IN 1974.

5. MINISTER OF PLANNING AND FINANCE (MPLA): DR SAYDI MINGAS. BORN IN CABINDA IN 1942. STUDIED IN PORTUGAL AND CUBA. DEGREE IN ECONOMICS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HAVANA. SERVED IN THE EASTERN FRONT IN 1972 AND LATER NAMED MPLA REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES.

6. MINISTER OF JUSTICE (MPLA): DR DIOGINES BOAVIDA. BORN IN LUANDA JUNE 23, 1928. LAW DEGREE FROM COIMBRA. PRACTICED LAW IN ANGOLA FROM 1960. REPRESENTED SEVERAL ANGOLAN UNIONS AND SERVED IN ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES BETWEEN 1961 AND 1974.

7. MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (FNLA): MATEUS JOAO NETO. BORN IN LUANDA ON NOVEMBER 27, 1939. STUDIED AGRICULTURE IN PORTUGAL, AUSTRIA, ISRAEL AND HOLLAND. JOINED FNLA IN 1966 AND SERVED AS THEIR REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES. MEMBER OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN 1973 AND CHIEF OF AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES.

8. MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES (FNLA): SAMUEL ABRIGADA FRANCISCO DA COSTA. BORN IN MALANJE SEPTEMBER 28, 1934. STUDIED THEOLOGY AND MEDICINE IN LISBON AND LONDON AND OBTAINED A MEDICAL DEGREE IN WEST GERMANY. JOINED FNLA (UPA) IN 1961. REPRESENT-
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ED FNLA IN WEST GERMANY 1970-1972. MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU AND HEAD OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

9. MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES (UNITA): DR JEREMIAS KALANDULA CHITUNDA. BORN IN BIE, ANGOLA, ON FEBRUARY 20, 1941. DEGREE IN MINING ENGINEERING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA. JOINED UNITA IN 1966.

10. MINISTRY OF ECONOMY:

A) MINISTER (PORTUGAL): VASCO VIEIRA DE ALMEIDA. NO BIO DATA.

B) SECRETARY FOR COMMERCE (FNLA): GRACA DE SILVA TAVARES. BORN JANUARY 28, 1932 IN CUANZA NORTE, ANGOLA. DEGREE IN POLITICAL

ECONOMY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF FRIBOURG. JOINED MPLA IN 1961 AND SWITCHED TO FNLA IN 1964. HAS EXPERIENCE AS AN ACCOUNTANT.

C) SECRETARY FOR INDUSTRY AND ENERGY (MPLA): ENGINEER AUGUSTO LOPES TEIXEIRA. BORN DECEMBER 9, 1938 IN GOLUNFO ALTO, ANGOLA. STUDIED IN PORTUGAL. FLED TO THE SOVIET UNION IN 1961 WHERE HE STUDIED COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY IN LENINGRAD. IN CHARGE OF MPLA COMMUNICATIONS ON THE CABINDA FRONT IN 1966 AND THE EASTERN FRONT IN 1971.

11. MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS (PORTUGAL) ENGINEER MANUEL DE OLIVEIRA. NO BIO DATA.

12. MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS (PORTUGAL): ENGINEER ALBINO ANTUNES DA CUNHA. SERVED AS SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION Y COMMUNICATIONS DURING THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT THAT WAS NAMED IN SEPTEMBER, 1974.

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